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For : **PLATE-LIKE POLARIZING ELEMENT, A POLARIZING CONVERSION
UNIT PROVIDED WITH THE ELEMENT, AND A PROJECTOR
PROVIDED WITH THE UNIT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 21-23, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new claims 42-111 as follows:

Line 116 C1 -> 36

42. (New) A polarizing element comprising:
a transparent plate, on one surface of which a polarizing dividing film is formed
and on the other surface of which a reflecting film is formed;
wherein
the transmitted light of a reflected light and a transmitted light being divided by
said polarizing dividing film on said one surface, is reflected by said reflecting film on said the
other surface to return said the transmitted light to said polarizing dividing film
and